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Booming, Steadily Booming. THE TIMES

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Sound Business Sense. long to a one-cent class of people, as many busy men purchase a penny paper because its matter, being more condensed, is more quickly read.-Printers' Ink.

THE RESULT IN NEW YORK.

Two great things have undoubtedly come to pass in New York. The local issue in New York city of purity in municipal politics has won, and the national revolt against the Senate hold-up hus been emphatically expressed

Parkhurst, Goff, and Lexow-these have been the three great causes of the municipal result. Gorman and Havemeyer-these have been the causes of the Congressional result.

All true Americans, Republican and Democratic, are glad that Tammany and its traitors have been defeated. The Issue was one in which the whole country was vitally interested and it is safe to say that the whole country is reloiced this morning at the out-

But the revulsion of feeling which elected Morton and the Republican Congressmen is deplorable. Not that it is without cause, but that the great Empire State should not have done its part to give the only party that ever attempted to exact tarlff reform another shappe to carry out its promise in spite of a sorrupt minority in the Senata.

The personal part of the result rests in the and yet to meet his political Waterloo. Tomay be stands defeated by one of the largest majorities ever given a gubernatorial candilate in New York State. It was common alk that if Hill carried New York nothing sould prevent his nomination as the Demotratic Presidential candidate in 1836, Now Caprivi felt. sis prominence in that particular is much essened. At least the other Democratic Presidential booms are much healthier as to somination prospects than they were yester-

Well, it's over. New for '96.

A VICTORY THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN. It was a glorious victory that was won by he hopest and intelligent voters of the Disrict yesterday-or that might have been

groud consciousness of having been showgred with popular praise for a gallant fight a the cause of the people of the District, Several things were achieved vesterday, and for the benefit of such of THE TIMES'

enders as may not have had the pleasure of Seerving the unusually full and accurate re-Trans building, the achievements of the day New York city,

There was general rejoicing, as there hould have been, over the tremendous popuar verdict in favor of civil service reform in nunicipal offices. No such emphatic demontration of public sentiment has ever been mown in the District, and Tur. Towes was iniversally congratulated upon the outcome & a fight in which it had led from the start,

The referendum on the subject of compellng the Baltimore and Ohio Company to eleinte its tracks resulted, as a matter of course. b a victory for the people. The Commisloners were Instructed to begin proceedings sith a view of initiating this important pubto improvement at once,

But incomparably the best work of a memgable day was the overwhelming defeat of tecorder Taylor. It was certain from the eginning that Taylor hadn't a chest of a how to win, but not even those who were ully in touch with the strong drift of popular seatiment against him were prepared for the atraordinary manifestation of public conemnation which occurred yesterday. Does any one say that nothing of this sort

appened? Well, it might have happened, ad it ought to have happened.

For what did occur see THE TIMES of this

CHEAPER TELEPHONE SERVICE. The government proposes to have a tele hone service of its own in this city. It obsets to the exorbitant rates and autocratic emination of the Bell monopoly. It wants cheaper, better, and more convenient servsa. For this reason steps are being taken to stablish telephonic communication first besweep the different bureaus of the Interior epartment, and this successful will probbly be followed by inter-departmental lines. In the execution of this project the public as more than a passing interest. If the genral government may defy the Bell company, nd operate a telephone system independent f, and in quasi opposition to that monopoly, that is to prevent municipalities from doing pe same? After the legal question has been stried that a telephone system, other than ville, Kan., recently, hat operated under the Bell patents, can be stablished at all, the doors will be wide

There seems to be no good reason why a ity should not own its telephone system just a well as its electric or gas plant. From this oint it is but a step further to the proposion, that upon the demision as to the governsent's rights in the premises binges the right f any number of persons to combine for the stablishing of a telephone system that sees not infringe upon the Bell patents.

No more oppressive monopoly is fastened pon the public than the American Beil Telehone Company. Its charges are exhorbiant to the last degree, and its service leaves. such to be desired as to reliability. For nearly

struction and management in this country SOCIAL SAYINGS AND BOINGS. and in Europe, the service is about three times as expensive to the consumer here as it is either in Germany or France, and it is by no means as efficient. These are facts within the knowledge of every one who has had experlence in this line.

The telephone has been sity and is rapidly growing into an adjunct verted into a bower of green ferns and of the private home. Cheaper service, therefore, is necessary, and the government's undertaking is a step in that direction,

INEXPENSIVE FUNERALS.

Col. Parmeanas Taylor Turnley is a veteran of three wars. He has been many times mayor of Highland Park, a suburb of Chieago. Better than all he is a man of strong common sense.

Col. Turnley has just completed the coffin in which he has directed himself to be buried. Its total cost is \$4.63. It is a box made of plain pine boards, stained brown outside and painted white inside. As he himself says, it is severely simple, but it is well made,

He did not do this just because "the notion took him." He had an eminently practical purpose in view. It was to teach a lesson in economy, in simplicity, and to rebuke the offensive estentation that generally rules at

Col. Turnley says: "Display at funerals has always been offensive to me." His feelings on this point are probably those of nine tenths of the people who attend funerals. If there is any occasion upon which display is out of place and offensive, it is when the poor dust is returned to the earth whence it came. It is out of keeping with the solemnity of the moment; not in harmony with the emotions that are supposed to sway the human heart

Apart, however, from the methetic considerations of the matter lies the more practical purpose of economy. While ostentations display at funerals is reprehensible under all nstances, even if indulged in by those "who can afford it," it is little short of criminal on the part of those whose means would forbid alike expense for any other of the necessary ceremonies of life. Many a family of small means has been plunged into debt from which months, perhaps years of painful frugality were required to relieve it, by providing a "luneral show" for some dear departed one altorether too expensive and out of all proportion to the income. The burden has been assumed from a false pride, from a mistaken deference to "what people will say," To all such Col. Turnley has set an example worthy of imitation. It is not necessary, of

course, that every man should be his own coffin maker, or that the cost of that receptacle of the body should be kept down to the figure quoted by him. But if the simplicity which Col. Turnley has practiced with regard to the easket for his remains and which, in accordance with his wishes, will, no doubt, be observed at his funeral, were to be obsuriniled career of Mr. Hill. Testurday he served more generally it would keep want from many a home and be altogether in keeping with "the eternal fitness of things,"

> SOMETHING seemed to be wrong yesterday in the last-day lie departments of both parties. -

> Maxy politicians now understand how Hox, William Manoxe has evidently been

getting in some pernicious activity. Ir was, as Dr. Parkhurst said, a New York

city vote on the ten commandments. Twe feminine Colorado voter got home late

Turns appears to have been considerable rapid transit in the way Tammany voted its

THE TIMES, as usual, came out of the thick WANTED-A Pair of Speciacles to look over at the fight with banners flying, and with those results and see if they are straight. Address Singerly, Philadesphia, Pa.

and single trip tickets to the only place where we'll will ever be appreciated. Address The Bifurcated Republicanism of Texas,

Fon Salz.-A superb lot of Boosters that urns displayed by stereopticon in front of THE have nover eround. Address Tim Campbell

> Denver. When they get out of the hospital they promise to go somewhere where women don't train for campaign work.

> Just think of the job-lot of peacock feathers and yellow jackets that are thrown on the

PLEASE, Mr. Coxey, if you are coming to Congress just leave the rest at home this time.

WHILE It was clear weather in New York eleterday, there seems to have been considerable snow in the vicinity of Mr. Hill.

Tru Campunga is still in the hands of hi ---

We respectfully suggest that Pennsylvania needn't strain berself about it. Concurso seems to have had small desire

to keep on seeing the wheels go around. Ar local Republican headquarters:

At local Democratic beadquarters:

NEWSY AND PERSONAL.

They say in Boston that a bushel centains about 119,900 ordinary sized beans,

Charles McVcagh, of Harpswell, Me., lifts a barrel of flour with his teeth and holds a quintal of fish at arm's length.

elerk who committed suicide last week, had on his desk Col. Ingersoll's "Defense of Sui-

A Butte (Montana) contractor dug \$1,500 worth of gold out of a cellar hole. The cellar more than paid for itself. One can now go from St. Petersburg to

Omsk, 2,200 mBes, in five days, A man who said he was Lew Wallace's son

was doing a street fakir business in Coffey Some years ago Judge R. H. Thompson of Louisville began to have boy criminals

severely whipped by their parents instead of being sent to jail. It is said to have worked A Well-calculated but Fruitless Appeal. "A little boy," said an up-town citizen

"made this request of me: 'Mister, please give me a match to make a fire over in the lot?" Now, there," the citizen went on, "was a request that had evidently been carefully considered with a view to reducing the chances of a refusal to the minimum, Obfire over in the lot, not on the asphalt stree fifth of a century it has fattened upon the sople of the United States. Making all pos-ible allowance for difference in cost of con-

The marriage of Miss Mary Torbert to Mr. Anthony Z. Tyssowski took place yesterday morning at 10.30 o'clock, at St. Matthew's, Rev. Father Kervick performing the cere mony. The church was brilliantly illuminated, and the altar and chancel had been conpaims. Before the bridal party arrived Prof. John P. Lawrence played choice and beautiful selections, and during the cere mony the soft, sweet strains of "Annie

mony the soft, sweet strains of "Annie Laurie" softly echoed through the edifice. Precisely at the appointed hour, the bride entered on the arm of her brother, Mr. Robert P. Torbert, who also escorted her to the chancel, where the groom, accompanied by his best man, Mr. George W. Rerwin, of Baltimore, stood in waiting. Miss Keilar, of Lancaster, Pa., attended the bride as maid of heavy rewards a pale gray cloth frees and caster, Fa., attended the bride as maid of honor, gewined a paie gray cloth dress and hat. She carried pink roses. The bride wore a rich costume of brown cloth, initor-made, and carried white Bride roses. She also wore a handsome pair of solitairs earrings, the gift of the groom.

As soon as the ceremony was concluded the bridal party drove immediately to the depot to take the 11 o'clock train for New York. They will be gone about two weeks, and on their return will take possession of their new home, No. 1217 Vermont avenue, which Mr. Tyssowski has just erected. The ushers were life. E. T., Galeski, Dr. J. C. Exner, Mr.

Charles G. Keppler, and Mr. Rieman. The presents were large in number and costly. The ladies of the social circle of Calvary Baptist Church will give a souvenir tea in the new Sunday-school room on Friday evening next, November 9, at 8 o'clock. Each card of aimission will entitle the holder to a cup and saucer, which is to be the souvenir of the oc-

Tymowaki has just erected. The ushers were Mr. E. T. Guleski, Dr. J. C. Exner, Mr.

Capt, Sam C. Lemly, judge advocate general of the Navy, and Mrs. Lemly have gone on a visit to Salem, N. C. They will be away

Pay Inspector and Mrs. Frailey have gone ray inspector and Mrs. Frames have gone to housekeeping at No. 1506 Twenty-first street northwest. This will be a delight to their many friends for the reason that Mr. Frailey has been absent from the city for three years on a craise out on the China station in the U. S. S. Lancaster,

The marriage of Miss Rosslie Bradford to Mr. R. Bowman Matthews took place yesterday morning at the parsonage of St. Matthew's Church, Rev. Father Kervick officiating. Only the immediate family and relaating. Only the information of the the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Matthews left the city curemony Mr. and Mrs. Matthews left the city on a bridal trip to New Orleans. The bride is a handsome brunette, with brilliant color and a superb carriage. She has a wide circle of friends and is very popular. At the Rirness several years ago she was the beautiful Japanseveral years ago she was the beautiful apan-ess dancer that attracted general attorition.

Mr. Matthews is a Louisianian, but has been a resident of Washington for many years, and as the chief of the bureau of the New Orleans Picayune has won many friends

The marriage of Miss Bemiss to Dr. Bar-bour, of the Navy, which engagement was an-nounced recently, will not take place till late in the spring, or until after the completion of Dr. Barbour's cruise.

The Dolly Madison Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution will have its first meet-ing of the season next Tuesday evening, at the home of Mrs. A. Howard Clark, After he usual business is transacted, the gentlemen will arrive to enjoy the more festive parts of the evening, and an informal reception will be held. The last spring meeting of the chap-ter was a most delightful affair at Chevy Chase Inn, during which Mrs. Addai Stevenn was the charming hostess.

Mr. G. Creyton Webb, second attache of the Bussian legation at st. Petersburg is in the city on a visit. Mr. Webb is as popular in Wass-ington as he is New York's exclusive circles.

The return of Mrs. Adiai Stevenson will deand upon the improvement which has taken age in the health of Miss Mary Stevenson, he is now with her mother at Asheville, C. Miss Stevenson was being greatly enefited by her stay at that beautiful resort when her friends last heard from her, and it is to be hoped that her recovery will soon be complete. Mrs. Stevenson will then bring out into society this coming season her daughters, Miss Mary and Miss Julia.

Mr. J. Cabell Breckinridge, brother of Hon. Wanter-Several Harps, Pairs of Wings is in Washington on a visit, at the Normandie.

On Monday evening last there was a most dents of Washington, and is a charming host,

Hon, Abner Taylor, ex-Congressman from med by their hosts of friends. For the ter resent they have apartments at the Norociety of Colonial Dames, which is com-

sed of representatives of the wealthiest and dest families of the thireen States, will hold s meeting in this city next week when there ill be an assembly of the beauty and aris-cracy of our land.

Gen. Samuel F. Anderson, a prominent estilent of Portland, Me., and well known in Washington, is stopping at the Normandie Mr. Edward A. Mitchell, of New Haven

conn., but well known in the swell young set f the Capitai City, is at the Richmond, where he expects to bring his mother to spend a greater part of the winter.

Lieut. E. B. Freeman, United States Navy, is stationed here for a short time on special duty at the Navy Department, Major Barnett and family of Governor's

Island Intend spending the winter in this city and have secured apartments at the Rich-

Mr. L. S. Brown general agent of the Southern Indiway, who has been quite sick at his home, No. 1627 Q street northwest, for the past ten days, is convalescing.

WEAK IN THE UPPER STORY.

A gentleman bought a railroad ticket from Lyon Mountain to Saranae Lake. When he Gailus Mulier, the Joliet penitentiary chief got it he set out to walk the track, but after about twenty miles got tired and asked a station agent for a "train ticket." He thought a "railroad ticket" merely entitled him to

> Lon Sellers, of Wabash, had \$200 which he put into a stove for safe keeping. The rest of the stery involves Mrs. Sellers' innocent and natural desire for a fire, and Lon's subsequent disappointment as he poked among

A railroad section boss in Minnesota drew oward him by the muzzle a loaded gun lying on a flat car. The charge of shot didn't hit the fool, but killed a section hand stand-

Another gun fool in Maine was the one who shot a fox and then, to reduce it unto satisfac tory deadness, elubbed it with the stock of his rifle until he smashed it to smithereens.

Man's Inconstancy.

My Peter says; on Sunday, that be'll sure a bache On Monday, swears he loves me, and will ere long marry me.

He tires of me Tuesday, and on Wednesday,

En the tires of me Tuesday, and his

Thursday, courts my neighbor, and his

plassion waxes hot. passion waxes hot. On Friday, he regrets it, for he finds her such And Saturday—he promises to love her—never-

-Truth

GOLD MINE GROVE AGAIN. Prompt Action by the Guests Averted the The Alleged Black Napoleon of Finance Has Continued His Swindling Career

Since He Left Washington. Repeated reverses, after occasional sucesses, do not seem to have dampened the ardor of Charles Porter Grove, the alleged Montana, says the Relena Independent. The story of his victims who came out from Chicago to work in Grove City, Jefferson county, | the stag the valet was ill and sent a substiat remunerative wages and large prospective dividends; how they were nearly starved and frozen, and how the hardships and exposure they encountered resulted in the death of one of them; all this has been told. The fact that he had been in Colorado, working a new field and finding fresh victims, has also been pubished. But that after the exposure of his operations in the East he should find people guilbble enough in Colorado to venture into his new El Dorado is surprising. That he has done so is evidenced by the following from the Boulder Age: "Two of Charles Porter Grove's victims ar-

rived in Boulder Monday evening from Pueblo Col., expecting to find work at Grove City Grove and his condituters had told the colored Grove and his conditters had told the colored people of Pueblo that Grove City was a town of 500 people, all colored, located six miles from Boulder, from which piace stages ran very frequently; that Grove had at the city eighteen or twenty mines in operation, the ore yielding from \$100 to \$150 a ton; that there was work for all who would go to the place, miners getting \$5.50 per day, and common laborers above ground receiving \$50 a month. At the city was a large hotelfor the accommonation of all who came. In the meantime Grove was seiling stock in his mines at \$5 a share, or at any price he could get if sales share, or at any price he could get if sales searce, or at any price he come get it saids were low, promising each purchaser a town lot in Grove City. He made other extravagant claims and promises and was assisted by a colored man named John Austin, who was known to some of the colored people of Pueblo and had their confidence. Austin went to Denver with Grove and in about two went returned to Populo and said that he weaks returned to Pueblo and said that he had been to Grove City and found every-thing as Grove nad stated. Then he renewed the sale of stock. "Morgan Green and Mack Rendall, two

"Morgan Green and Mack Randall, two young colored men of Pueblo who were out of work, were delighted at the prospect of finding steady employment at fuir wages, and, selling their few belongings, they managed to get money enough to buy railroad tickets to Boulder. They arrived here Monday evening without a cent of money, only to find themselves the victims of a heartless swindler, whose promises and tales were utterly baseless. Naturally they were much disappointed and disheartened at the way their hopes had turned out, but they immediately began rustling for work, and it is posterior of the property of the state of the s diately began rustling for work, and it is possible they will find a fulfilment of the sires with which they started from Colorado. seem to be honest and industrious young fellows, intelligent in conversation and manners, neat in dress, and generally worthy. Any person who can give one or both of them employment would do a praiseworthy a t and at the same time get full value for wages. "Words of course are useless to use against such a scoundrel as Grove, but there seems to

buch a scoundred as Grove, but there seems to be no other method of punishment. The best that can be done is to endeavor by word of mouth, by letter and by publication to pre-vent his swindling others. It is to the interest of every Montanian to assist in this, for every swindle perpetrated upon the outside world results in injury to all the people of the State, whatever may be the color or character of the swindler. of the swindler.

PENNIES IN DEMAND.

They Are Worth \$1.05 a Hundred to Some People in New York.

"There's a fresh young man who comes in here frequently," said the ticket agent in an uptown station of the Sixth avenue elevated road, "and be seems to take the keen delight in giving me pennies. Every one knowsthat ticket agents and street car conductors also are not permitted by their respective companies to turn in pennies when settling companies to turn in pennies when setting their accounts, and so many people who im-agine they have a grievance against a ticket agent try to square it by giving him pennies. This young man I speak of bought five tickets the other night and paid for them with

twenty-five pennies. Then he walked out onto the platform laughing with might and ain. He comes here a dozen times a week, and I can't remember a fine that he has paid or his ticket with anything but pennics. He seems to think he is making me angry, but he isn't, and I can honestly say that I wish a On Monday evening last there was a most delightful and instructive meeting of the Columbian Historical Society at the magnificent residence of Dr. Toner, of Massachusetts avenue. Mr. M. I. Weller read an interesting paper on Dr. James Ewell and the capture of Washington. Dr. Toner, the president of the society, is one of the oldest residence of Washington and is abbrauing both.

"I get \$1.05 for every 100 pennies I take in

"I get \$1.05 for every 100 pennies I take in, and t e pairons of the road cannot give me too many to suit me. Other ticket agents have regular castomers who purchase pennies from them at the same rate, and so you see we profit a bit by the ill-will of some people. Hon. Achier Taylor, ex-tongressman from inave regular customers who purchase pennies. Illinois, accompanied by Mrs. Taylor and from them at the same rate, and so you see Mrs. M. Babcock, expects to spend the winter in Washington where they will be welter and eggs. He has a dozen stores on the extreme West slide, and in the poorer districts. When his oustomers buy one, two, and three eggs at a time, a few cents' worth of butter, in payment, it is necessary for him to have have done something smart by piling in a lot

LIGHTENING LITERATURE,

An Old Lady's Recipe for Reducing the Weight of Magazines. They were complaining of the weight of the current magazines and saying that they tired

the hands in holding them, when a sweet old lady in the next seat leaned forward and said-"Excuse me, my dears, but I have suffered om the same thing you are speaking of. There is a remedy, however. Strip off the advertisements of the back and front, leaving one sheet for the protection of the magazine proper, and then hamner down the spikes thing tuey bind with nowndays. I generally use the back of an old hairbrush. You'll find when you've done so that the magazine has been "educed about one-half in bulk and weight. Look," and the sweet old lady held up the the November number of the Harptury which had been treated in the manner she

which had described, had described, "Why it looks like a shorn poodle," said

one of them, laughing.
"Heft it," said the sweet old lady.
"So one of them "hefted" it, and the next
minute there was the sound of parting leaves in the next seat and then of sundry thumps "Look," said one of them, "we banged in our spiked things with our heels "Anything at a pinch," said the sweet old lady, and then all three settled down to read their much lightened literature.

Chance for Lawmakers First Citizen-It is not enough that bleycles carry bells; the law should enforce a regular system of signals that all can understand,

Second Citizen-What would you suggest? First Citizen-Well, I don't know exactly, but it might be something like this: One ring sun it might be something fact this: One ring, stand still; two rings, dodge to the right; three rings, dive to the left; four rings, jump straight up and I'll run under you; live rings, turn a back handspring and land behind me, and so on. You see, us folks who walk are always glad to be accommodating, but the trouble to find out what the fellow behind wants us to

Wouldn't He, Though? Marlowe-I see that some unknown man has sent 25 cents to the government conscience fund.

Bixby—Gad! It's too bad he is unknown. A man with even a 25-cent conscience would be such a valuable addition to our police force.-Exchange. An Exception.

"All the world loves a lover," people say,
And they nod their heads at one another;
But there's one they do forget!
Oh, he doesn't love, you bet,
For he is the sweetheart's little brother.

VALET FROM POSEY COUNTY.

An artist in New York, whose name is not unknown, invited half a dozen friends to a little stag in his studio one night last week. The entertainment that developed was unexpeeted. This artist shares a valet with four multi-millionaire colored mining king of other bachelors who live in the same build ing, which is not far from the junction of Broadway and Sixth avenue. On the night of

> The artist had his doubts when he saw the attention and his doubts when he say substitute. The man had an English accent a spots. A cross-examination developed the act that he came from Possy county, Ind., nd had worked in an east side chophouse," and later for a tailor in Broad-way whose sign read, "late of London." He assared the artist that he knew how to serve the supper, and that was all that was re-

quired.

The guests arrived and sat down to a little game of poker, with an occasional brown sherry as an appetizer. The host had received a case of champagne from his triend, the wine agent, and that was one of the most important reasons for the gathering. Earlys in the morning he told the Posey county substitute to see that the wine was properly lead and see that the wine was properly leed and

ready for quick service.

A big jack pot was on. It had gone around three times, and each man was hoping to open it. Except for the rattle of the sweeteners and the remarks "Cards?" "Can't," "No good," and an occasional little word that rhymes with im, the studies were the same that the sweeteners and the remarks "Cards?" "Can't," "No good," and an occasional little word that rhymes with im, the studies were the same that the same t with jam, the studio was quiet. In an ad-joining room the Posey county valet was pro-caring the supper. Suddenly there was a loud report like a pistol. Every man at the poker table looked up.

Boom-boom-boom, rang out three more re-

"What the—"
"I don't know," interrupted the host, umping up.

Boom, boom, again from the adjoining "Sounds like a Presidential salute." said

the perirait painter.

Boom, boom, again, and the whole party rushed in to investigate. Not one of them is willing to repeat the heat's remarks when he had investigated. They may be indicated in print this way: And they were emphasized by more explosions. The zealous Posey county man had cut away the strings from the champagne corks, so that he could serve the wine quickly when the sig-nal was given and the corks had worked hai was given and the corks had worked loose. The poker party sprang to the rescue. Each man grabbed a bottle and put it to his lips. Other corks flew out. The peker game was forgotten, and the Posey country valet couldn't be found. He had made his escape

after the first explosion.

"We didn't lose as much of the fizz as might be expected," said one of the guests, "but it was a heady way to take it."

The host has been guyed into a state of peevishness about his Posey county man, and therefore his name is not printed with this story. story.

BABYLON'S BLACK PEST. An Angler's Account of the Mosquitoes in

the Long Island Marshes.

"Quaint and picturesque is the half rural. half maritime life of the Babylonians down in the Great South Bay," said the contemplative angler. "This town had to my eyes something of the aspect of a Holland village when I went there, one sunny September Sunday, to try my luck for bluefish.

"Between the sea and the tree-shaded cottages of the village the wide expanse of salt marsh is divided by a raised road leading to the pier, from which paths lead to the scattered landings. Here and there among the marsh grass lay bluckened bulks of ve ter century and in deep inlets that cut the marsh, invisible to the looker from the road, steam craft, sloops, and sailboats were moored. When we returned from our fishing, ate in the afternoon, about these stranded hulls and floating craft the village lais and lassies, and not a few older people, in Sunday finery, were strolling, passing to and fro upon planks laid from the land to the vessels, and wandering in and out of the hulls and cabins as inland people might make calls from house to house

"upon the marshes of to the right some men repairing a boat were working amid the amoke of several fires they had built. We found out why they preferred to work in wharf to town. They came in a black cloud, wharf to town. They came in a black cloud, noiseless, but oh how purposeful, those mosquitoes of Babylon. They wasted no time in preliminary hovering, but settled straightway upon the funds, necks, faces of the three strangers and fell at work, making punctures so victous that, to use the words of Jeames Yeilowplush, 'Flesh and blood couldn't bear it,' at least without making remarks.

species, peculiar to the locality. He is immense of size, plump, fluffy, perfectiv black, and hydrochloric acid is in his venom. A lock of plackbirds with bills like suipe. The mosquitoes that assailed us were not vocalperhaps because the sun was shining brightly, perhaps because they couldn't spare the dime to sing-though one that got into my ear made that kind of hideous racket that it usually requires a boy, an empty fomato can, and a stone fied to a string to produce, They were out for blood, and they made the

ost of their opportunity. "It was a weary and painful gaunlet that we run in covering the quarter of a mile of board sidewalk across the marshes, and we struck the village street bearing many sting struct the value street bearing many sing-ing reminders of the trip. But once the higher land and houses were reached, prestol the posts had vanished and we saw them no more. Their field of operation was the marshes, and they did not propose to venture

beyond it. "But what mystiffed us all during our tortures was the sublime indifference that the townspeeple strolling about the marshes dis-played in reference to the pests that assailed us so fiercely. Scated upon rails and quarter decks of the moored vessels, they whittled, swing parasols jaintily and laughed and chatted in holiday enjoyment as if never a mosquito had piped and punctured in Baby-lon. Whether they had become inoculated with the insects' venom so that they no longer egarded it, or whether the me the townspeople, looked upon the stranger from Gotham as their natural prey and let the native residents alone, must remain an unsolved problem, for, in settling for boat and horse hire and tavern keep, we were soon fully occupied in meeting bills quite as depleting as those which had been sent in so rigorously by the mosquito."

THE FOX WAS GAME.

But the Eagle Killed Him, Though It Died in Doing It.

Sam Jones set a trap for a fox the other day at the upper end of the old Frazier clearing up in New York. When he went to see if he had caught anything yesterday he found that the trop was gone, notwithstanding it had been secured by a chain and a heavy stable driven into a log alongside. The chain had been broken of and for tracks led away, leaving a tolerably plain trail in the dead leaves. This trail sam followed until he got to a small opening some dozens of rods away. where on the moss lay his fox, dead, and holding fast by the throat in its jaws a dead

The eagle, in sailing over the woods, had The eagle, in sailing over the woods, had seen the caught fox, and had swooped down upon it, but the fox, though erippied by the trap, had made a good fight, and had killed his assailant whils yielding up his own life.

The fox, with the eagle in its mouth and the trap on its leg, will form one of the most peculiar groups in the local taxidermist's collection of mounted birds and beasts.

To a Married Man. Dimpleton-Look here. That animal you sold me is too lively. Horse Dealer-Aren't you a married man?

Dimpleton-Yes. What has that to do with Horse Dealer-I supposed, of course, you

wanted a horse your wife couldn't drive New York Herald.

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NO REST FOR THE WICKED.

Officers of the Central Trust Company Arrested for improper Use of Mails Concerning the Central Trust Company, of Philadelphia, whose operations in this city were recently described in Tax. Trazs, a dispatch from that city says that it is the successor of the Commercial Loan and Trust. Company, which gained such an unsavory reputation last spring and which was closed through the efforts of Rudolph. Biankenburg and his associates in the permanent relief committee.

Suits against both companies are still pending Suits against both companies are still pending in the courts, and the central committee made an assignment "for the benefit of its creditors" on October 24. The office at 1339 Arch street was closed recently when the officers were threatened with prosecution and suits were pending against the company. It was given out at the time that the "company" had been released. been removed to washington, and, in fact, preparations were made to open an office there. The District authorities, however, threatened the officers with arrest, and they returned to this city and, it is said, have con

tinued their operations here, On Friday of last week H. L. Briggs, president: Lorin Chambers, comptroller: Bodiman H. Biake, superintendent of acceptes, and the M. Spencer, secretary and treasurer, were ar-rested by United States morshals just as they were about starting a new company at 1122 Walnut street, and held in ball on charges of using the nulls for impreper purpose Saturday E. M. Rapp, another former of the concern, was brought back fro Virginia and was also held under ball for sing the malls for fraudulent purposes. further hearing in the case of Briggs, Cham-bers, Blake, and Spencer will be had on Fri-day before United States Commissioner Bell.

FIGHTING FISH.

in Siam They are fired to Make War on One Another.

The two fish are placed in the same bottle. They proceeded to take each other's measure, houlder up to each other in schoolboy fashon and back and push around the "ring," the small fins vibrating rapidity all the time and each little being quivering with excita-ment and wrath, says London Field. This goes on for some minutes, until, as the spectators are growing impatient, one fish suddenly flips his head around, makes a dart,

und a considerable dont in his adversary's mill-shows at offee that he has got home. Heareforth there is no hesitation until one or the other crise "poccavi." In regular fish lights on which money depends the battle is ontinued until one fish turns tall and it hased around the bottle by the other. Bu

his is usually an affair of an hour and fre-quently of three or four.

The pluck and determination of the fighters are wonderful. The ordinary stream fish do hot evince it nearly so much as those that have been bred and reared for the purpose,

The tail is the part which shows most dam-age, for it is very easily torn, but a good grip on a side fin is more effective. When one pins the other by the nose a very citing struggle takes place, the two lvin astened together like professional wrestlers and then shaking each other buckward and orward with might and main. They often seem extremely exhausted, but still fight on bravely, and sometimes it is a matter of diffi-culty to part them. They display considera-ble agility in evading the opponent's mouth and also in suddenly twisting around and taking a piece out of his tail. In twenty minutes or so these appendages, which looked so brave and bright as they went into the fray are torn to ribbons.

fray, are tern to ribbons, The fish's general appearance after the fight suggests that of a sailing ship emerging from a hot action, with her convast innighing in streamers, her topmasts shot away, and crew gusping for breath, but still ready t ight again. Pla kat sometimes succumb to a long contest, but generally they only take uperficial damage and are immediately early to feed. After a match they are always ested a week or more, according to the ex-ent of their injuries, and most of the rents and cuts are repaired by nature. Enthu-siastic owners often wager £6 or £7 or more on their favorites, and many people earn little money in this way by breeding fighti-flab and then backing them against others.

Foreign Notes of Real Interest. Warwick, England, has just chosen the Earl of Warwick to be its mayor for the coming

Charles Dickens' Gadshill collection forty-eight prints by Hogarth, which he left by will to the inte Edmund Yates, was reently sold at Brighton for \$1,150 at an auc tion sale of Yates personal effects.

A book by il Barodet, "Le Pilori Pariementaire," is the sensation of the hour in

Paris. It contains nothing save the public

romises of his colleagues in the various hambers of Deputies of which he has been a member, with the record of their votes oppo-Iwo guinea pigs were born at Oxford reently, each of them with a well-marked fropp of the left upper evelld. They were the dispring of parents in whom the defect had been produced artificially to test the fluory of the inheritance of acquired characteris-

Serum for the treatment of diphtheria has been obtained so far in France from old hard horses. The French government now pro-poses to give the Pasteur Institute the first choice in the selection of horses condemned as no longer fit for the French cavalry ser-vice, the price to be paid being the average

price of the other animals sold.

A clergyman was recently explaining to the Crown Frince of Germany, who is twelve years old now, that all men were sinners, says the Ave Maria, whereupon the little fellow asked him if his father, the Emperor, was not an exception to the rule. "No, he is not," answered the clergyman, "the Kaiser is a sinner like overy other mortal." "Well, I'm sure of one thing," said the little prince, "and that is that my mother is no sinner." London is as yet without a permanent or-hestra capable of giving the highest class of music. A movement has just been started to stablish one on much the same footing as that on which the Eoston Symphony Orchesra is kept together. A Scottish orchestra was aintained last year at a financial loss by wealthy amateurs, but the prospects are that it will be soon self-supporting. That was ex-actly Major Higginson's experience with his Destron exhibits.

oston orchestra.
The Blake, the fingship of the British North Atlantic squadron, is to return to England early next spring, after an absence of three years. Her place will be taken by the crescent, now in Australia. The Blake has het realized expectation. Her machinery gave trouble during her trials, and has not worked as smechine. s smoothly as it should while she has been

as smoothly as it should while she has been in commission. The Blake was Admiral Sir John' Hopkin's fingship while the British squadron was here in 1853.

Tarragona was lately the meeting place of the largest congress of Catholics ever held in Spain. The Pope's nuncio, the cardinal, Archibshops, twenty-three bishops, and 6,600 ecclesiastics and laymen attended. No reporters were admitted. The questions discussed were the temporal power of the Pope, the necessity of the Church taking part in the settlement of social problems, and its right to interfere in the proposed educational reforms in Spain. The congress denounced the creation of a Protestant bishopric in Madrid.



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